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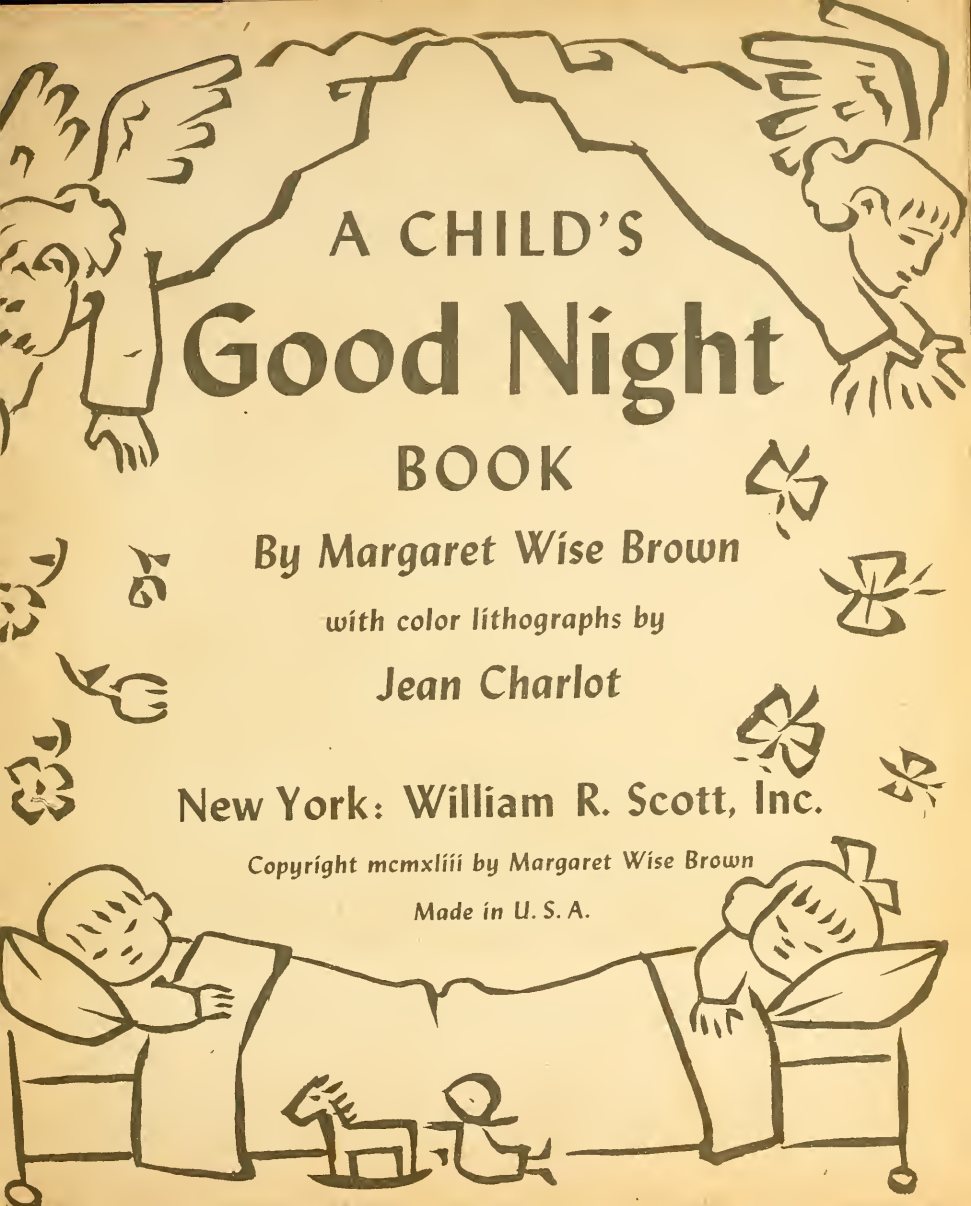

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Night is coming. Everything is going
other side of the world. Lights turn

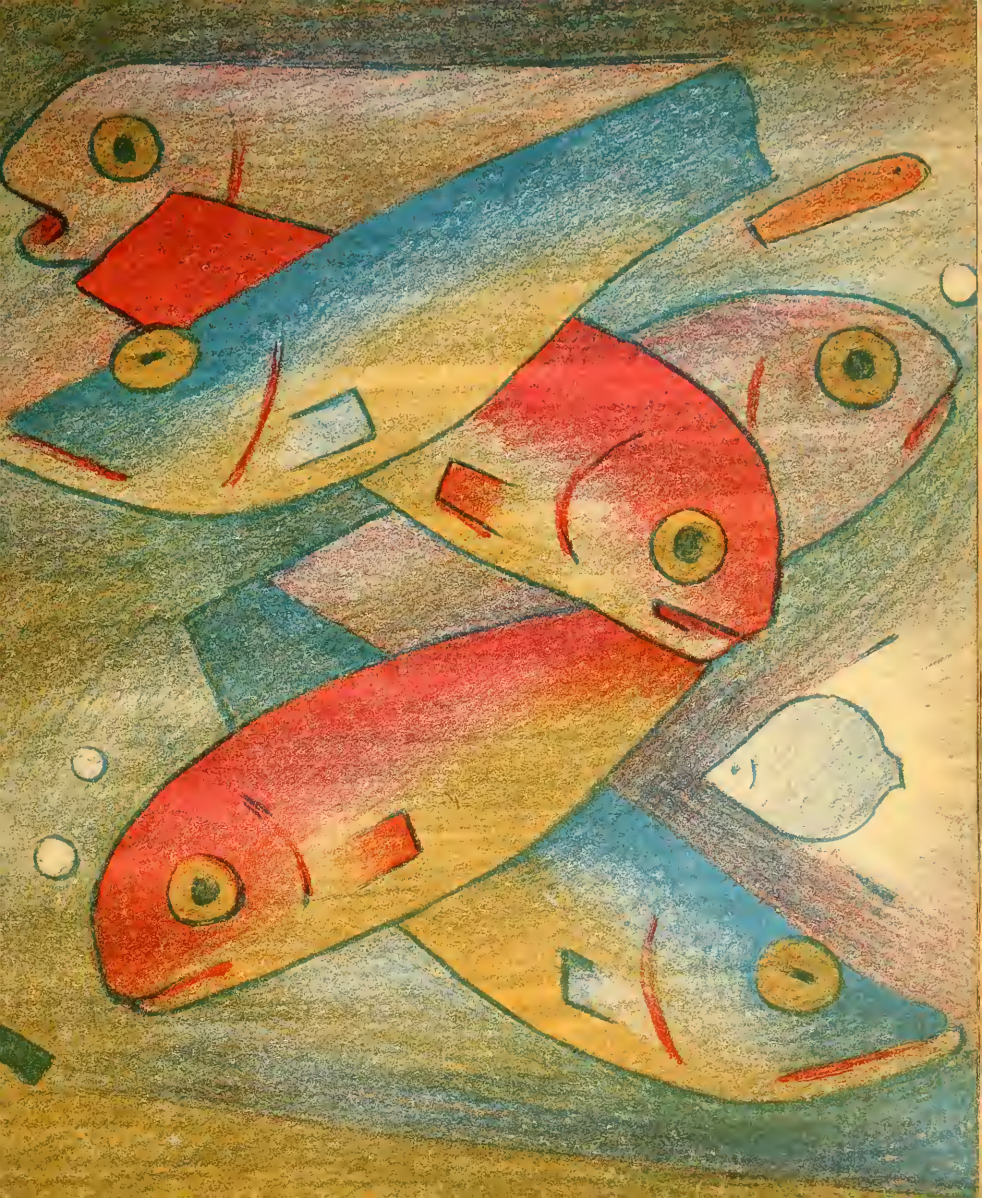
to sleep. The sun goes over to the
on in all the houses. It is dark.

All the little birds stop singing and flying and eating.
And they tuck their heads under their wings and go to sleep.

Sleepy birds.

The little fish in the darkened sea sleep with their eyes wide open.

Sleepy fish.

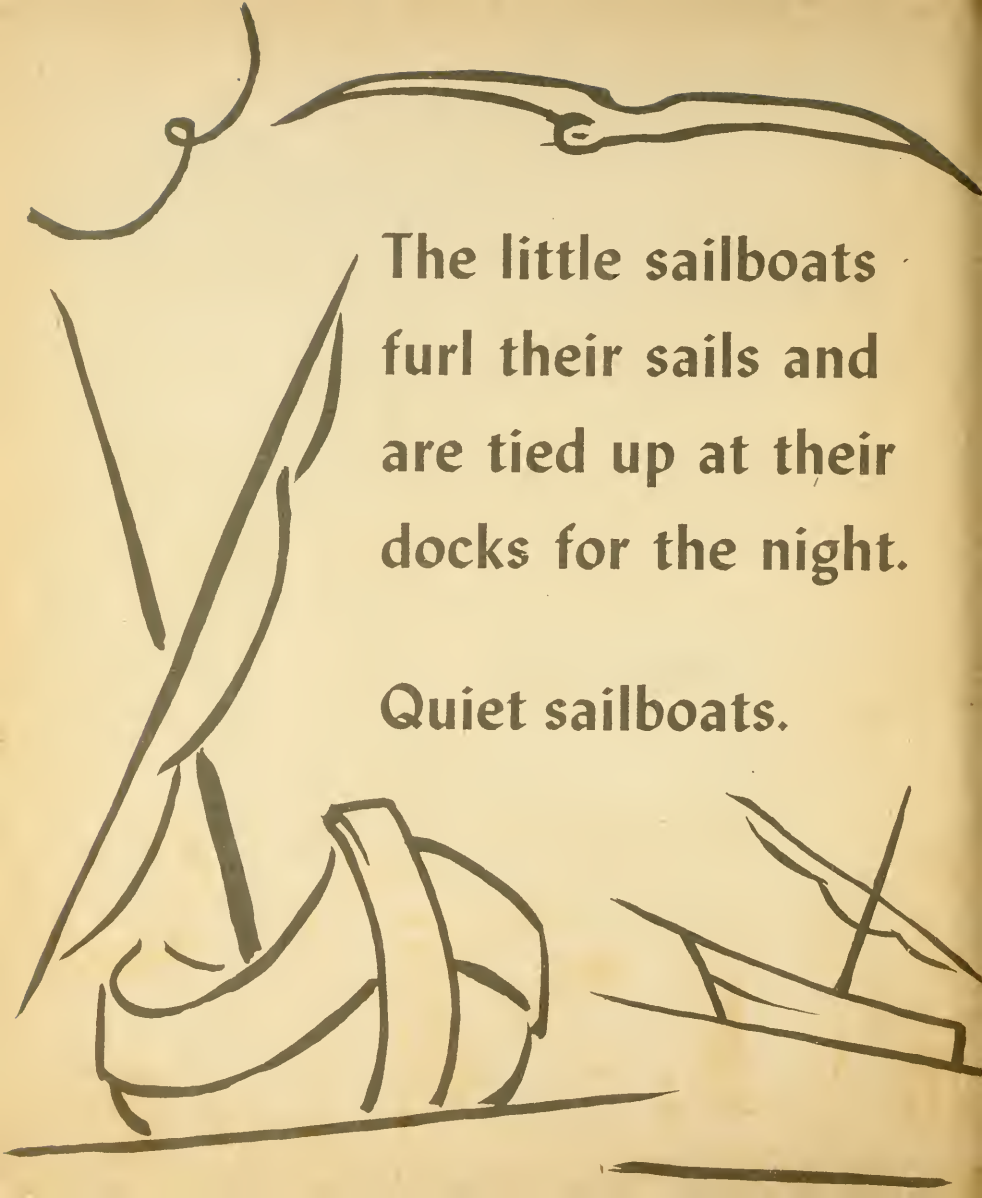


The sheep in the fields huddle together in a great warm blanket of wool. The lambs stop leaping and the rams stop ramming and the sheep stop baaa-ing and they all go to sleep.

Sleepy sheep.

The wild monkeys
and the wild lions
and the wild mice
all close their eyes
in the forest.

Sleepy wild things.



The little sailboats furl their sails and are tied up at their docks for the night.

Quiet sailboats.

And the cars and trucks and airplanes are all put in their houses — in dark garages and hangars. Their engines stop.

Quiet engines.

And the little kangaroos jump in their mothers' warm pouches and close their eyes.

Sleepy kangaroos.

The purring pussy cats
blink their eyes.
Then their eyes close
and they stop purring.

Sleepy pussy cats.

The bunnies close their bright red eyes.

Sleepy bunnies.

The children stop thinking and whistling and talking. They say their prayers, get under their covers and go to sleep.

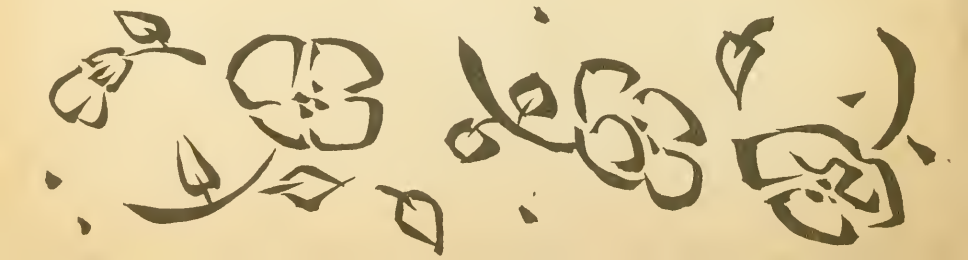
Sleepy children.

Dear Father hear and bless

Thy beasts and singing birds

And guard with tenderness

Small things that have no words.



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